GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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BUS SERVICE BETWEEN BHUJ AND KARACHI
Gadhavi Shri Pushpdan Shambhudan

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any demand from the people of Gujarat for introducing bus service between Bhuj and Karachi via Khavada-Mithi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether at present the people of Gujarat go to Karachi via Delhi-Punjab route which is a long route;

(d) whether the matter has been taken up with the Government of Pakistan; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Government of Pakistan thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a)-(b) Government have received requests to enhance connectivity between Gujarat and the Sindh province of Pakistan.

(c) The Munabao-Khokrapar rail route up to Mirpurkhas and Karachi in Pakistan is available to travellers from Gujarat.

(d) No.

(e) Does not arise.